

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of

BRANSTROM et al.

Appln. No. 08/711,961

Group Art Unit: 1805

Filed: September 6, 1996

Examiner: J. Railey

Title: BACTERIAL DELIVERY SYSTEM

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January 12, 1998

AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks  
Washington, D C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action issued October 10, 1997,  
please enter the following amendments and consider the  
following remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 28-~~33~~ and 44 without prejudice and enter  
the following claims:

B1  
--45. A method for the delivery of exogenous DNA capable  
of being expressed in an animal cell, said method comprising:  
(i) introducing said DNA into mutated bacteria, said  
bacteria having an attenuating factor which will result  
in lysis of the bacteria after entry into said cell; and  
(ii) administering said bacteria to said cell, such that  
the bacteria, once inside the cell, will lyse, thereby  
delivering to the cell the DNA capable of being expressed  
therein.

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